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Dear FDA,

This is to express my objections to xenotransplantation research, docket no.99D-055, due to the following reasons.

1. Threats of inter-species virus transmission
2. Lack of evidence that the use of pigs is any safer than the use of non-human primates
3. The availability of safer and more humane alternatives such as promotion of preventive medicine and increasing human organ donation rates
4. The fact that the Council of Europe (representing 40 countries) recommended a world-wide ban on xenotransplants in January 1999

Considering the above reasons, I am opposed to any xenotransplantation research, and I would appreciate it if you would consider these factors in making a decision. Thank you.

Sincerely yours,



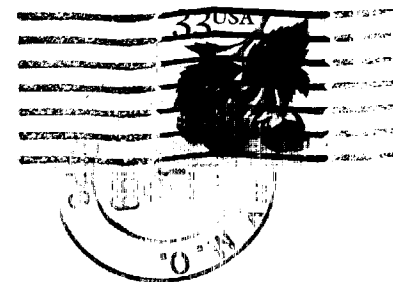
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